## IN THE CLAIMS:

Would the Office kindly enter the following amended Claim 1.

1.(currently amended) A method for the treatment of wastewater <u>sludge</u> containing human waste in a container comprising the step of applying to said sludge a biologically effective amount of composition containing a lignosulfonate and sludge digesting microbes.

- 2.(original) The method of Claim 1 wherein said lignosulfonate is ammonium lignosulfonate.
- 3.(original) The method of Claim 2 wherein said sludge digesting microbes are from the genus bacillus.
- 4.(original) The method of Claim 2 wherein said composition has a pH of between 6.5 and 7.5.
- 5.(original) The method of Claim 4 wherein said composition contains between about 80% to about 91.5% by weight of ammonium lignosulfonate, between about 8% and about 15% by weight of a pH adjusting agent, and between about .5% and about 5% by weight of a concentrated microbial product.
- 6.(original) The method of Claim 5 wherein said pH adjusting agent is lime.
- 7.(original) The method of Claim 5 further including the step of mixing said composition with water in a weight volume ratio (grams/liters) of between 2:1 and 20:1.
- 8.(original) A method for the suppression of odors in a holding tank containing human organic waste matter, the method comprising the step of adding to said organic waste material a biologically effective amount of a composition containing a lignosulfonate and organic material digesting microbes.

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9.(original) The method of Claim 8 wherein said lignosulfonate is ammonium lignosulfonate.

10.(original) The method of Claim 9 wherein said sludge digesting microbes are from the genus bacillus.

11.(original) The method of Claim 9 wherein said composition has a pH of between 6.5 and 7.5.

12.(original) The method of Claim 11 wherein said composition contains between about 80% to about 91.5% by weight of ammonium lignosulfonate, between about 8% and about 15% by weight of a pH adjusting agent, and between about .5% and about 5% by weight of a concentrated microbial product.

13.(original) The method of Claim 12 wherein said pH adjusting agent is lime.

14.(original) The method of Claim 12 further including the step of mixing said composition with water in a weight volume ratio (grams/liters) of between 2:1 and 20:1.

15.(original) A method for the treatment of a body of water containing algae and other organic matter, comprising the step of applying to said body of water a biologically effective amount of a composition containing lignosulfonate and sludge digesting microbes.